



PLANS OF THE DIFFERENT STAGES.

MONUMENT TO THE LATE DR. MALKIN

A HANDSOME monument has just been erected in St. James's Church, Bury St. Edmunds, in honour of the late Dr. Malkin. Soon after his decease, a number of his former scholars at Bury, who judged that his memory deserved well of themselves—of the school over which he so successfully and so splendidly presided, and of the town which was so largely benefited by his presidency, entered into a subscription for the purpose of extending, by enduring marble, the knowledge of him, and of their feelings towards him, to generations beyond that in which he and they should "live, and move, and have their being." It was at first intended that the subscription should be small, and the object simple; namely, to express on a plain tablet, and in few words, the sentiments which were entertained towards him: in short, to do him honour, not by an over-display of the sculptor's and the penman's arts, but by the fact of the erection of the memorial. When, however, this intention became known, a sum exceeding thrice the amount at first contemplated was brought together. This result is highly creditable to the Bury scholars of by-gone days, inasmuch as the individuals whom they sought to honour had passed the last fourteen years of his life, not only divested of scholastic office, but also in distant retirement. Some of his learners "had paid the debt of nature," all were more or less widely dispersed: yet "the love of many was not cold;" manhood had not effaced the recollections of youth; the world had not extinguished the sympathies of school.

The committee, finding so large a sum at their disposal, resolved upon improving their object, and intrusted the fulfilment of it to Mr. Lough, of London, a statuary of fast-increasing reputation. There existed a bust of Dr. Malkin, executed during his life by Chantry, and worthy the chisel of that highly-gifted artist; this was shewn to Mr. Lough, and upon viewing the well-favoured, dignity-bespeaking, and statuesque style of features there represented, he determined to introduce a medallion likeness into the monument. This, accordingly, forms a prominent portion of the work; and it is both beautiful as a production of art, and faithful as a resemblance to the original.

The compartment containing the medallion profile is separated from that bearing the inscription by torches just extinguished—a classical emblem of the expiration of life, and appropriate in a memorial of the departed. The inscription is as follows—

"In remembrance of
BENJAMIN HEATH MALKIN, LL.D., M.A.,
Head Master of the Royal School in this town
from 1809 to 1824,
Who died at Cowbridge, May 26, 1842, aged 72.

Erected by his pupils as a tribute of
gratitude, respect, and affection."

This is a simple but effective record: for what sentiments more honourable and more pleasing than these can an instructor of youth hope, or desire, to actuate the hearts of his former scholars, and to embalm his memory?

MONUMENT TO BISHOP LATIMER.—A monument has just been raised in the chancel of the parish church of Thurstaston, Leicestershire, to the memory of the celebrated Hugh Latimer, Bishop of Worcester. In the centre is a concave marble slab, bearing the following inscription:—

"H. S. E.
The grateful memory of
HUGH LATIMER,
Lord Bishop of Worcester.
The great champion of the Protestant Faith
Was born in the parish of Thurstaston,
In the year 1470.
He faithfully followed in the glorious train
Of his Lord and Master,
And having joined the Noble Army of Martyrs,
Sealed the truth with his blood.
He was burnt at the stake in Oxford,
In the year 1535,
And then 'lighted a candle,' which
Shall 'never be put out.'
Hoc marmor ponendum curavit,
Ricardus Waterfield,
Rector de Thurstaston.
1843."